



News and Notes

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★ **Community Conversation on Teen Suicide - Tuesday, February 22 – 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the PAHS Library**
Since sensitive topics will be discussed, the presenter recommends children who have not reached high school age should be accompanied by an adult. [More Information](#)

★ **Roosevelt Teacher Jody Adams Receives National Board Certification!**
Congratulations, Jody! [More Information](#)

★ **Stevens is One of 186 Schools to Earn State Achievement Award**
Congratulations to Stevens Middle School for earning the Overall Excellence Washington Achievement Award with a Special Recognition in Science! [More Information](#)

★ **PAHS Senior Louisa Rogers is a National Merit Finalist!**
[More Information](#)

★ **Teaching & Learning in the 21st Century (TL21) Program, 2011-2013 Competitive Grant Application**
The application window is open for the TL21 Grant Program - a two-year course of professional development designed for Washington State educators who want to learn how digital technologies support effective instructional strategies. Deadline: April 11. More information - www.k12.wa.us/BulletinsMemos/memos2011/M006-11.doc

★ **League of Women Voters® Recognizes Teachers – Need Your Nominations!**
The Clallam County League of Women Voters® is supporting the implementation of the State's Environmental Sustainability/Education (ESE) learning standards by recognizing a teacher in each of our local school districts who has incorporated these standards in to their program, curriculum or student experiences. If you have a recommendation, please let your principal know or send your nomination to [Tina Smith-O'Hara](#). Applications due by April 1, 2011.

★ **District Inventory Scan April 4-8, 2011**

Barb Phillips has sent out an early reminder - The annual District inventory scan will be done during the week of spring break this year. Details of the exact schedule will be announced at a later date.

Beyond the Call of Duty

★ **Email to Steve Ford of Drennan & Ford Funeral Home to Area Principals Re: Operation Valentine!**
“I went to the Post Office on my regular run. It was JUST before closing and no customers were around. There were a few cards in the PO Box, but nothing big. When I flipped through the cards, I found the orange notice that I had 4 parcels to pick up so I zipped over to the window and told the girl to go get my 1100 Valentines for wounded Marines. She piled the four boxes on the counter and said, ‘Are you sure these are all Valentines?’....so I smiled and said, ‘Open one of them.’ She did...and we read a couple and fingered through a few more before we were both in tears. ‘Cute’ doesn't say it well enough, if you know what I mean...maybe precious, heartfelt. Some Marine Moms are coming over in the morning so we can get all the batches ready for ‘our boys.’ The cards will be on their way very soon. THANK YOU SO MUCH! - and a BIG OOH-RAH to Port Angeles, Sequim and Forks, WA!

~Barbara Gemmell aka AtlantaMom



★ **Port Angeles Citizens for Education Honored by Board**
Superintendent Jane Pryne and School Board members honored PACE representatives Besty Wharton, Tina Smith-O'Hara and Steve Methner at Monday's Board meeting. Wharton and Methner were our co-chairs for the February levy. On February 23 the levy will be certified – and final votes will be counted! *A round of applause for all our levy volunteers!*



★ **School Counselors Honored by School Board**

“On behalf of the Port Angeles School, “We are grateful to our entire counseling staff for all of the services provided to help our students and staff,” Superintendent of Port Angeles Schools Jane Pryne said. “Our school counselors are actively committed to helping students explore their strengths, interests and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development. They also help parents or guardians focus on ways to further the educational, personal and social growth of their children as they strive to reach their full potential. Join me in saying a big thank you to all of our counseling staff.”

Lori Esget serves as counselor for Stevens Middle School students. Port Angeles High School counselors are Cecilia Jacobs, Mike Nolan and Dana Snell.

[Media Release](#)

Franklin Student Teaches Third Grade class for the Day

Franklin third grade teacher Cynthia Green was searching for an educational website to help improve her students' geography skills and discovered an interactive website called KidsGeo.com. Her enthusiasm for a world map game spilled over to her students, and a challenge Green made inspired student Preetha Patel to learn more about her world. In less than two weeks, Preetha bested the 100 second challenge and became “teacher for the day.” Visit Green’s blog and see if you can beat 100 seconds!

<http://room5franklinschool.blogspot.com/>. Congratulations, Preetha!



Monday's School Board Meeting – Jody Adams, National Board Certification recipient, was honored; Sodexo employees thanked for their service; and Krista Winn, John Halberg and Campbell Kirkman updated the Board on the rowing and physical education programs.



★ **PAHS DECA Hosts Successful Blood Drive on Campus**
Port Angeles High School Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) advisor Lora Brabant announced the club registered over 62 donors in last Friday's Blood Drive at the high school. Nineteen were first time donors. The Puget Sound Blood Center staff provided blood services. Thank you, DECA!

★ **Weekly Meeting Schedule, Central Services Building**

Tuesday, February 22	Language Arts Committee 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 23	Social Studies Committee, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 24	General Administration Meeting, 3:45-5:15 p.m.
Friday, February 25	Professional Development Systems Committee, 12:00-3:00 p.m.